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ZIMMERMANN ADMITS PLOT AGAINST U. S.

Seeks to Justify Intrigue as "Measure of Defense" in Event of War

STONE CONTINUES HIS FIGHT AGAINST ARMED SHIP BILL

La Follette Ready to Make Long Speech in Opposition to Measure—Amendment Offered to Remove Provisions for Arming "Fore and Aft."

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Administration leaders approached the closing continuous session of the Senate today fearful lest opposition by Senators La Follette and Stone to the bill authorizing arming of American merchant vessels might possibly prevent enactment of the measure by noon tomorrow.

Senator Stone, it was declared, was determined to fight for his amendment, which would withhold protection from munition-carrying ships. Senator La Follette, who yielded a point late last night in permitting an advance in the parliamentary position of the bill, was ready to make a long speech against it.

There was eight hours' debate on the bill in the Senate last night. A number of Senators declared they believed the arming of merchant ships would lead to war, but said they were willing to accept such a result.

When debate was resumed today, Senator Hitchcock, to perfect the bill's parliamentary status, had the Senate draft, with two slight amendments, substituted, after the enacting clause, for the House text. One amendment eliminates the provision for arming merchantmen "fore and aft," thus removing specific mention of armament. The other prevents United States protection for foreign ships.

Senator Brandegee, Republican of Connecticut, called the German prohibition some "an ambush where Germany lead in wait to deal death" to anyone who entered against her edict creating it.

"Shall we sit supinely and allow the cause of a foreign potentate to clear the ocean of American shipping and blockade our ports?" he asked. "Are we obliged to wait for the slaughter to be accomplished before we defend ourselves? I trust that neither Congress nor the American people have fallen to such depths of degradation that they are willing to furl the American flag and withdraw from the high seas as the misguided band of pacifists seem to wish.

"There is no use to issue a moral homily or a Salvation Army tract or to repeat the sermon on the mount to a nation that has gone mad and acts through its military autocracy like a homicidal maniac. Must we get off the face of the earth—lie down and curl up? I'm for peace, but I am going to preserve the liberties of my country. If the pacifists had lived in the time of George Washington we never would have been a country and if they have they were now we will cease to be a country. The peace propaganda, in some respects, closely approaches treason."

Senator Sherman presented today news dispatches from Berlin which the Foreign Minister Zimmermann's admission of the attempted intrigue with Japan and Mexico. Senators manifested such keen interest in the dispatches that they were read twice. Senators who had been inclined to denounce the celebrated Zimmermann instructions as a forgery or a British plot, showed particular interest.

"Japan has denied receipt of overtures," Senator Sutherland, Republican of Utah, interjected. "I ask if there is any significance to the fact that our great and good friend, Gen. Carranza in our neighboring friendly republic has not made any denial."

Senator Stone asked where the dispatches came from and was informed they were from the Wolff Bureau, a German semi-official organization.

Brandegee resumed attack. "These dispatches," resumed Senator Brandegee, "give us a fairly accurate picture of the relations that exist at the present time between the Teutonic Powers and this great country. Zimmermann declares Germany's intention to resume unrestricted submarine warfare, the kind that sunk the Lusitania, the kind that Germany had agreed to abandon.

"Germany suspended this warfare while she was rebuilding submarines. She came announcement of her intention not only to resume this as-

PAUL O. SOMMER IS INDICTED; SAID TO BE \$12,000 SHORT

Former Secretary of Holman Paper Box Co. Arrested on Bench Warrant.

FORGERY ONE OF CHARGES

He Also Is Accused of Embezzlement and Grand Larceny—Released on New Bond.

Paul O. Sommer of 3388 Hartford street, well known in German turnverein circles and until a few months ago secretary of the Holman Paper Box Co., was arrested today on a bench warrant issued by Judge Rassieur on an indictment charging embezzlement, grand larceny and forgery.

Accountants have discovered, Assistant Circuit Attorney Feehan announced, that Sommer is short \$12,000 in his accounts for the year 1916. The investigation has not gone back of the year 1916.

Sommer was first arrested Dec. 30 at the request of Circuit Attorney Harvey, of information placed in his hands by John B. Holman, president of the company, and was released on a \$6000 common law bond to answer any charge that might be brought.

Joseph Mount, a saloonkeeper, who is on his \$5000 bond, asserted he would not go on his bond for an increased amount. Sommer, after his arrest, telephoned to friends in an effort to obtain a bondsman. He was released on a \$6000 bond signed by two liquor dealers.

Feehan says that the evidence discovered by the accountants indicates that all three of the crimes, embezzlement, grand larceny and forgery, have been committed. Several checks, he says, were found, to which the name of Holman had been forged.

Sommer refused to discuss the charges. Hereafter he has said that if there was any discrepancy in his accounts it was solely a matter of bookkeeping.

PRESIDENT SIGNS BILL WITH THE "BONE DRY" PROVISION

Postoffice Appropriation Bill Passed After a Long Fight in Congress on Law.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Wilson today signed the postoffice appropriation bill containing the "bone dry" prohibition provision.

The "bone dry" provision of the postal bill is the most far-reaching prohibition legislation ever enacted by the Federal Government—in fact, it is the first direct legislation by the government prohibiting the liquor traffic.

At least 14 States which have prohibition laws, but do not prohibit the importation of certain quantities of liquor for personal use, will be made bone dry by the new law which prohibits the importation of liquor into any State that prohibits "its manufacture and sale."

State legislation, recently passed, and about to become effective within the next few weeks will increase the number of bone dry States to at least 32.

CHINA SAID TO HAVE WARNED GERMANY TO CHANGE POLICY

LONDON, March 3.—Berlin dispatches in the Rheinische Westfaelische Zeitung stated that in circles in touch with the Chinese Legation in Berlin it is expected China will give notice of a rupture of diplomatic relations unless Germany changes her blockade policy, says the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at The Hague.

The German Foreign Office, it is added, has been warned to that effect by the German Minister at Peking.

HAS A GOOD START THIS TIME

J. L. Nichols of Lake City, Ark., is spending the day at Union Station so as to catch the 3 p. m. train for home. He has made four attempts since Thursday night to get started, but missed the train each time.

Nichols is determined that he will not be left again. He is obliged to get home because of dates for the train he has been robbed of \$15, all his money, and his grip. He still has his return ticket. He borrowed \$10 from a detective for dinner. His chances of catching the 3 o'clock train tonight are considered good. His two bottles of whisky were in the stolen grip.

\$250,000,000 Revenue Bill Signed. WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Wilson today signed revenue bill designed to raise \$250,000,000 through special taxes and bond issues.

WILSON TO TAKE NO WAR STEP WITHOUT AN EXTRA SESSION

Lets It Be Known He Will Only Summon Congress in Event of Great Crisis.

PUSHES REVENUE BILLS

President Bending Every Effort to Have Appropriation Measures Passed.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Wilson has no intention of taking action that would bring war with Germany without calling Congress in extra session. This was communicated to Senate leaders today by representatives of the President, who take the position that if no extraordinary crisis arises it will not be necessary to call an extra session before late in the spring, and then only to pass any appropriation bills which may fall at the present session.

The President today continued efforts to persuade Republican Senators to assist in the passage of needed appropriation bills during the present session. These Senators were told by representatives of the President that their argument, that Congress should remain in session because of the German situation was not logical, because he naturally would take no action leading to a declaration of war without the co-operation of Congress.

Washington Revenue Bills Passed. The President was represented as feeling deeply the implication back of the effort to force an extra session. He desired the important appropriation bills passed at this session so that if an extra session is forced by the German situation, Congress could begin work immediately on emergency measures.

It became known that the President will seek an opportunity in the near future to make his position clear. His representative at the Capitol were told early today that some Republican Senators were insisting in blocking the appropriation measures in order to force an extra session.

Inaugural Address Ready. For a while, it was said, it looked as though the Administration's efforts to get action on the army appropriation bill, the military academy bill and a few other important measures would be successful, but finally two or three of the Republican leaders would not give their consent to such an arrangement.

The President completed his inaugural address today and it is understood that the foreign situation is the principal subject dealt with.

The President, both by telephone and through direct representatives was in constant communication with the Capitol today.

President Wilson made another of his personal visits to the State, War and Navy Building today and, first conferred with Secretary Baker. After his call on Secretary Baker, President Wilson said that "it had nothing to do with Europe at all."

PRESIDENT TO TAKE OATH TOMORROW

Will Be Sworn In at Capitol at Noon and Again on Monday.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Wilson will take the oath of office for his second term in his room at the Capitol at noon Sunday. It will be administered by Chief Justice White of the Supreme Court. Mr. Wilson plans to go to the Capitol shortly before noon to sign bills and therefore decided it would be impracticable to take the oath of office in the White House as was at first contemplated.

While no special invitations for the ceremony at the Capitol have been issued, members of Mr. Wilson's Cabinet will be with him, advising him on bills passed in the closing hours of Congress.

The President has decided to take the oath again on Monday in front of the Capitol just before he delivers his inaugural address.

When he goes from the White House to the Capitol Monday he will ride between two continuous khaki-clad lines. These will be formed from the men of the Twelfth and Sixty-ninth New York Regiments, veterans of the Mexican border patrol service.

These two regiments are now on their way north to the Mexican border. They were ordered to stop off in Washington.

When the Presidential party has returned to the White House, the two regiments will fall in line and will march in review before the President.

German Foreign Minister Who Proposed Plot Against U. S.



AMERICAN MILITARY ATTACHE KILLED RIDING ON ITALIAN FRONT

Maj. E. R. Heiberg Meets Death Accidentally When on Observation Duty.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Maj. Elvin R. Heiberg, American military attaché at Rome, was killed accidentally Thursday when riding on the Italian front.

A report to the State Department today from the embassy said the officer was at the front on observation duty.

Ambassador Page's report follows: "Please notify Secretary of War that Heiberg, military attaché, killed yesterday, accident, while riding during performance of duty visiting Italian front. The King has sent personal condolences on death of this distinguished officer. General staff, Minister of War and military attachés likewise. Pray accept deepest sympathy of every member of embassy on loss of this fine soldier and gentleman."

Maj. Heiberg was assigned to the embassy at Rome April 18 last. He was a native of Minnesota, born April 12, 1876, but was appointed to the military academy from Wisconsin and served with distinction as a cavalry officer, particularly in the Philippines, where he was highly commended for his work as Civil Governor of the Cottabato District, Mindanao.

LOTS RENTED FOR GARDENS

One Alton Man Has Leased 150—at 75 Cents Each the Season.

Property owners in Alton, following Mayor Beall's suggestion for a way of reducing the cost of living, are renting vacant lots for gardening purposes.

E. J. Lockyer, a retired business man there, has rented 150 lots which he owns in Alton. The rental is 75 cents for each lot, for the spring and summer. The lots are 6x12 1/2 feet. He says he could have rented many more if he had had them.

MUCH COLDER TONIGHT, LOWEST TEMPERATURE 15

THE TEMPERATURES.
1 a. m. 15° 3 p. m. 35°
10 a. m. 25° 8 p. m. 32°

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Fair tonight and tomorrow, much colder tonight, with the lowest temperature about 15; fresh north to northwest winds.

NEGRO GIRL JUSTIFIED IN KILLING MAN, CORONER'S JURY FINDS

Housewife Was Drunk and Threatened Woman Employer, Later Testifies.

A Coroner's jury today found that Margaret Wilson, 15 years old, a negro housemaid, employed by Mrs. A. J. Hiner of 424 Washington place, was justified in killing Edward Baker, 45, a houseman, also employed by Mrs. Hiner. The girl yesterday wrested a revolver from Baker, after he had threatened to kill Mrs. Hiner, and shot him.

Mrs. Hiner testified at the inquest that she sent Baker to a grocery store and that he was drunk when he returned. She threatened to kill her, she testified, when she asked him for the change from a \$10 bill, which she had given him. The negro girl corroborated Mrs. Hiner's testimony.

GOT TO WASHINGTON "THROUGH TREACHERY ON AMERICAN SOIL"

"Not Frivolous to Consider What Defensive Measures We Should Take," Says Foreign Secretary.

TELLS OF ALLEGED "PLOT" BY U. S. IN SOUTH AMERICA

Declares American Newspaper Man Said U. S. Was Waiting Only for Proper Moment in Order Opportunely to Assist the Entente.

BERLIN, March 3, by wireless to Sayville.—The following was given out today by the Overseas News Agency (the official German news bureau):

"Foreign Secretary Zimmermann was asked by a staff member of the Overseas News Agency about the English report that 'a German plot had been revealed to get Mexico to declare war against the United States and to secure Japan's aid against the United States.' Secretary Zimmermann answered:

"You understand that it is impossible for me to discuss the facts of this 'revealed plot' just at this moment and under these circumstances. I therefore may be allowed to limit my answer to what is said in the English reports, which certainly are not inspired by sympathy with Germany. The English report expressly states that Germany expected and wished to remain on terms of friendship with the United States, but that we had prepared measures of defense in case the United States declared war against Germany. I fail to see how such a 'plot' is inspired by unfriendliness on our part. It would mean nothing but that we would use means universally admitted in war, in case the United States declared war."

"The most important part of the alleged plot is its condition and form. The whole 'plot' falls flat to the ground in case the United States does not declare war against us. And if we really, as the report alleges, considered the possibility of hostile acts of the United States against us, then we really had reason to do so."

Says American "Plot" Was Revealed.

"An Argentine newspaper a short while ago really 'revealed a plot' when it told that the United States last year suggested to other American republics common action against Germany and her allies. This 'plot' apparently was not conditional in the least. The news as published by La Prensa (Buenos Aires), agrees well with the interpretation given, for instance, by an American newspaper man, Edward Price, in Berlin and London, who said that the United States was waiting only for the proper moment in order opportunely to assist the entente."

"The same American stated that Americans from the beginning of the war really participated in it by putting the immense resources of the United States at the entente's disposal, and that Americans had not declared war only because they felt sure that assistance by friendly neutrality would be during that time much more efficient for the entente than direct participation in the war. Whether this American newspaper man reported the facts exactly we were at a loss to judge in satisfactory fashion, since we were more or less completely cut off from communication with the United States."

"Not Frivolous to Consider Defense Measures."

"But there were other facts which seemed to confirm this and other assurances. Everybody knows these facts and I need not repeat them. The entente propaganda services have sufficiently heralded all these pro-entente demonstrations in the United States. And if you link these demonstrations with the actual attitude of the United States then it is obvious that it was not frivolous on our part to consider what defensive measures we should take in case we were attacked by the United States."

The version of the Zimmermann statement cabled from London gives the name of the American newspaper correspondent referred to by the German Foreign Secretary as Edward Price Bell, instead of Edward Price. Edward Price Bell is the name of the London correspondent of the Chicago Daily News.

Duty to Take Precautions in Time, Says Semi-Official Berlin Agency

LONDON, March 3.—Foreign Secretary Zimmermann's instructions to the German Minister to Mexico City in the event that Germany, after the proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare failed to keep the United States neutral. These reports are based on the following facts:

"After the decision had been taken to begin unrestricted submarine warfare on Feb. 1 we had reckoned, in view of the previous attitude of the American Government, with the possibility of con-

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comparable to reliable party. 707 Marmora
Bldg. (cf)
KLINK. 921—Store, 18x20, and large
garage underneath; new French tile show
long lease. O. A. Weber, 844 Locust.
(d)
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TH and O'FALLON—Automatic spring-steam heat, electric elevators, 9x15 rm.; 60,000 square feet floor area. Will divide with 10,000 square feet or to a building. Possession given on or July 1.

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WALL NEW BUILDING
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1/2
e. corner Main and Lucas av.: 3 floors
granited basement: Spa office: electric
st. etc.: will rent or lease other build-

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AGE SPACE—For one or two cars. **Washington; Lindell 5480P.**

AGE—For rent; nice 2-story brick; al

REAL ESTATE

Wid.-Exchange good bakery for lot
South Side. 3306 Meramec. (1)

For exchange: strictly modern, 5 and 6 rooms; nicely located; overlooking Forest. What have you? Box R-151, P-D. (c)

ERRY Wld. - For exchange, \$1150 first prize on improved property worth \$1000. I want grocery or old property east of St. Louis. Box R-216, Post-Dispatch. (l)

ERRY Wld. - For exchange, \$1000 improved farm, 90 miles from St. Louis. I want: want smaller farm or will sell for cash. I will take cash or make payment down. Box B-300, Post-Dispatch. (l)

REAL ESTATE-OTHER CITIES
DENCE—For sale: 7 rooms; in a col-
 town; 61 miles west of city; pay to
 10000; Box K-221, Post-Dispatch. (7)

URBAN PROPERTY FOR SALE
MISCELLANEOUS

WEBSTER

WEBSTER GROVES TRUST CO.
 a. a. a. rentals. Benton 4470. (cph)
 T. a bungalow? Will sell yea's 6-room,
 hot water heat, hardwood floors, large
 porch, lot 60x180, for \$4500, on easy
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"An Offer Worth Investigating"
 7-room house, excluding recreation hall
 and bathroom; conveniently arranged and

kept clean; hardwood floors, continuing; closets in each sleeping room; closet in hall; removable screens for 2-story stable used for ramps and runs; double doors; chicken house, 25 x 100; corner property, either 100 or 150; between Webster and Kirkwood. Alameda and Westwood golf clubs; nice car and train service. Will sell commission at valuation appraised by company; easy terms.

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FARMS FOR RENT

1—For rent, 83 acres; rich bottom land, partly subject to overflow; six-room house; near East St. Louis. 509 N. 26th St. St. Louis. (c)

2—For rent, 50 acres, on Reeves Bar-
road, 3 miles from St. Louis; good
improvements; convenient to electric car line.
lease; rent reasonable. M. HANDEL,
CO., 8721 N. Broadway.

FARMS WANTED.
Wtd.—To rent or lease: 50 acres or
w. with house, near St. Louis; state
particulars, Box K-250. Post-Dis. (f)
Wtd.—Will rent a small farm near
am. strictly reliable; describe fully
answering, Box K-270. Post-Dispatch. (f)

FARMS FOR SALE

4-For sale: 80 acres, with good improvements; 1/2 mile from town and N. E. corner; will sell on terms; price \$2800. 20-acre farm, \$800. W. McKinley, Clinton, Mo.

PROVED PROPERTY FOR SALE
PROPERTY—For sale, good clean, profitable
 renting property at 815 Granger av. and
 Allen av., in good condition at a bar-
 price; pays big rent now. Call at once.
F. DICKMAN, R. M. CO., 625 Chest-
nut, Main 4113, Central bldg.

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FIRST MONTH, \$26.75
1st month, \$26.75; so on, decreasing 5¢ each month thereafter; including all taxes and payment on principal, only \$100 payment. See time-savings brick house, \$7200-24 Gustine av. S. and 12th. Open 2 to 4. Victor TTS, Sidney Hill.
R. ZEPFENFELD,
South Side Trust Bldg., Broadway and 10th st.

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AGE—For sale, five rooms, electric la.; hot-air heat; good condition; will for \$2350, in payments of \$15 per month interest; must sell at once. 14652 Green m. L. Heckman, 215 Wainwright Bldg. (25)

TS. APARTMENTS FOR SALE

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—For sale: West End single flat and
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n; 1500 will handle. Box P-3, Fort-D. 71

RESIDENCES FOR SALE

SOUTH 11
—For sale: beautiful little home

WEST

BERLIN—Almost new, modern dwell-
 buy this and save thousands of dollars
 amount of present high cost construction.
 F. Churchill Whittmore Co., 118-30 N.
 10th

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10 cents, 17c line; almost nothing wanted.
state loans, 19c line; mortgages, 8 lines.

INS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY

LOANS ON REAL ESTATE

Y TO LOAN—In sums to suit; get our terms; quick answer.
KOLLAS R. E. CO., 1128 Commercial, 1st fl.
Y TO LOAN—At 6 and 8 percent interest on improved city real estate security.
MILLER R. E. CO., 308 N. 3rd st. (2nd fl.)

NOTHING MAKES YOU THINK FASTER THAN THE ARRIVAL OF A TELEGRAM.—BY GOLDBERG.

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The Post-Dispatch
Daily Short Story

EXPOSED

By Sam Hellman.

SOME children never have the measles and some men are without air. The reason is the same, absence of exposure. Great virtue can be traced to three causes—lack of temptation, fear of consequences and inability to grasp opportunities. There may be a few persons in the world who are good because they are good, but we can't think of one as we go to press.

Millie Hart had reached the age of 24 without being exposed either to the measles or any other kind of rash act. At the Peerless department store her goodness shone like a hot sun in the desert—insufferably. When she wasn't selling lace she was leading tourists or meditating on the sins of the world in general and those of the salesladies in particular. Millie kept to herself and never smiled—those of great virtue are seldom happy.

When Mazie Higgins left the employment of the store under circumstances that caused considerable chatter in a low key, Millie shuddered. She had worked almost side by side with the girl for a year.

"Just think," she remarked to Hazel Grant, her counter mate, "she was right near us all the time."

"What of it?" retorted Hazel. "she didn't steal any of your tracts, did she? I'm still for the kid. She ain't any worse than the rest of us. She's just unlucky."

"I'm surprised," murmured Millie. "The idea of defending her."

"Say, come out of it. You're so darn good that you're positively a pest. It's pretty easy to be a saint if you keep away from dances and men and the movies and go right home every night and to prayer meetings. You remind me of a guy that's honest because they ain't nothing around to steal. They ain't nethin' aroun' to keep you from being a goody-goody."

"You're wrong, Hazel," interrupted Millie. "I try to be good because it is right and because it is the best way to be."

"How the deuce do you know?" shot out Hazel. "You've never been bad, have you? How do you know you wouldn't like it better being bad? The trouble with you is you haven't the nerve to find out."

Millie went home thoughtful that evening.

"Hazel," she said the next morning, "didn't you tell me that you were going to a dance tonight?"

"Yes, I am, and listen, kid, I ain't no more to stand for no lecture on the evils of dancing."

"I was going to ask you," resumed Millie. "If you wouldn't take me along with you."

"You to a dance?" gasped Hazel; then she threw back her head and laughed. "You at a wicked dance! I'm surprised. A girl of your bringing up wanting to go to the ballroom of Satan where sin is bred. Isn't that what you said about dancing the other day?"

"Yes," said Hazel. "But I want to go. Will you take me along?"

"Can you dance?"

"No, but I guess I can learn."

"Good-for-you!" exclaimed Hazel. "Gee, I'm sure glad you woke up. It been awful to have to work with an angel. Sure, I'll take you along."

So that night Hazel and her steady, Bill McGuffee, called for Millie and took her to the dance at Harrigan's hall. The room was filled with dancers and smoke when they arrived. At one corner several couples were drinking beer. Some of the girls looked at Millie with blank faces and then laughed.

"Come on," said Bill. "I'll show you how to dance." Millie shuddered as his heavy hand rested on her waist. A protest sprang to her lips, but she bit them and kept silent.

Millie sat out a couple of dances while Bill and Hazel got on some of the latest clichés. The next time she saw Bill he had another man in tow, a dapper young fellow with a dazzling headlight in his seakite and white cloth tops on his shoes.

"Meet Joe Browning," boomed the voice of Bill. "This is Millie Hart. Show her how to dance, Joe; she's learnin' fast, and believe me, she's light on her kicks."

"How do you like it here?" asked Joe. "I don't know," faltered Millie. "I've never been to any of these things before."

"They're pretty rough, aren't they?" remarked Browning. "I don't come here very often. Where I go most of the time they don't allow any smoking or booze."

Millie was preoccupied all the way home with Bill and Hazel.

"Want to go to any more dances with me?" asked Hazel the next morning.

"No, I don't," answered Millie. "I just want them to prove I wasn't a coward. After last night I know enough of wickedness to satisfy me. Ugh, those disgusting people, drinking beer and smoking. And those people I met—there wasn't one I want to see again, except Mr. Browning. He's a real gentleman and as much disgusted as I was. Such a place! No wonder Mazie Higgins—"

"What was the feller's name?" interrupted Hazel.

"Mr. Browning, Joe Browning," with the trace of a blush.

"Joe Browning, huh? What do you know about him?"

"I know he's a gentleman, which is more than I can say for the other men I met at that dance. What do you know about him?"

"Nothing much; but Mazie Higgins knows all about him. Ask her."

Quite True.

ONE of the attractions of the church fete was a fortune teller's tent. A lady took her 10-year-old son inside. The woman of wisdom bent over the crystal ball.

"Your son will be a very distinguished man if he lives long enough," she murmured in deep, mysterious tones.

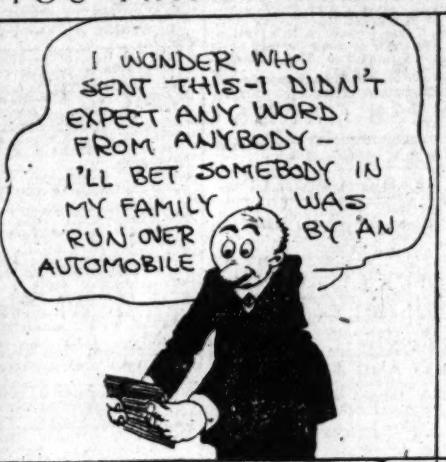
"Oh, how nice!" gushed the proud mother. "And what will he be distinguished for?"

"For old age," replied the fortune teller slowly.



HERE'S A TELEGRAM FOR MISTER IPPLESKIFF

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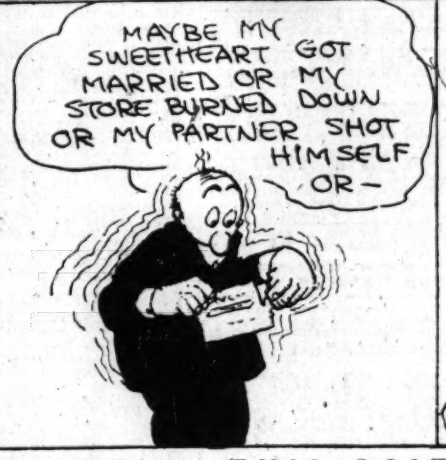
I WONDER WHO SENT THIS—I DIDN'T EXPECT ANY WORD FROM ANYBODY—I'LL BET SOMEBODY IN MY FAMILY RUN OVER AUTOMOBILE WAS BY AN



NOW I REMEMBER UNCLE ANTONE WAS LOOKING PALE THE LAST TIME I SAW HIM—MAYBE HE'S DEAD



COME TO THINK OF IT, JOE SPONGE WAS BROKE WHEN I MET HIM LAST WEEK—THIS IS PROBABLY A QUICK TOUCH

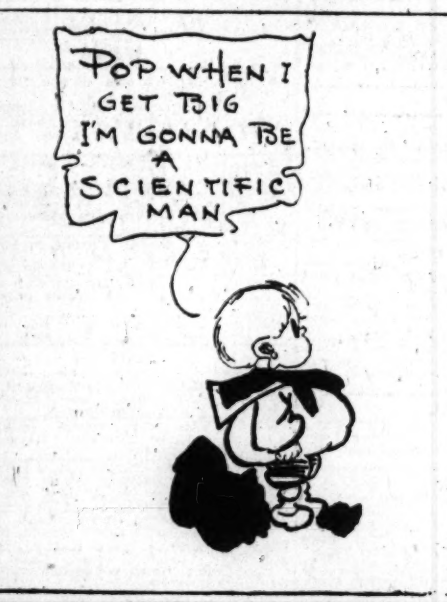


MAYBE MY SWEETHEART GOT MARRIED OR MY STORE BURNED DOWN OR MY PARTNER SHOT HIMSELF OR—



IT'S A NINE-POUND GIRL—COUSIN JAKE

"S' MATTER, POP?"—THIS SCIENCE PRODUCES MORE "HOOKS" THAN BOOKS!—BY C. M. PAYNE.



POP WHEN I GET BIG I'M GONNA BE A SCIENTIFIC MAN



THAT'S MY BOY TALKING



WHERE DID YOU GET THAT IDEA DARING?

FROM JOHNNY PUG



HE'S TEACHIN' ME TO PUT UP MY HANDS LIKE THIS

Not So Green After All.

AN Idaho guide, whose services were retained by some wealthy Easterners desirous of hunting in the Northwest, took them to be the greenest tenderfoot, since he undertook to chaff them with a recital something as follows:

"It was my first grizzly, so I was mighty proud to kill him in a hand-to-hand struggle. We started to fight about sunrise. When he finally gave up, the shoot the sun was going down."

At this point the guide paused to note the effect of his story. Not a word was said by the Easterners, so the guide added very slowly, "for the second time."

"I gather then," said one young gentleman, a dapper little Bostonian, "that it required a period of two days to enable you to dispose of that grizzly."

"Two days and a night," said the guide with a grin. "That grizzly died mighty hard."

"Choked to death?" asked the Bostonian. "Yes, sir," said the guide.

"Pardon me," continued the Hubbits, "but what did you try to get him to swallow?"

Met His Match.

A TIGHT-FISTED old man, feeling very sick, asked a friend to recommend a physician. The friend named a certain specialist.

"Is he very expensive?" asked the sick man.

"Well, not so very. He'll charge you \$4 for the first visit and \$2 for each one after that."

The old fellow soon afterward walked into the office of the physician named by his friend, and upon being admitted to the consulting room planked down \$2, remarking: "Well, doctor, here I am again."

The physician calmly picked up the money and put it in a drawer, which he locked securely. The sick man looked on expectantly, awaiting the next move.

"Well, I'm ready to be examined," he said at length.

"I don't think it's necessary," replied the shrewd specialist. "There's no need to do it again. Keep right on taking the same medicine. Good day, sir."

Couldn't Fool Her.

THERE is an old woman living in a small town in Southern Pennsylvania who makes great efforts to keep abreast of the times. Her opportunities, however, are circumscribed, and she is sometimes compelled to resort to her imagination. She went to a church social lately, and as she entered the room of one of the attendants said:

"Good evening, auntie. I am glad you came. We are going to have tableaux this evening."

"Yes, I know," replied the old lady. "I smelt 'em when I first came in."

Getting at His Motive.

WILL you have my seat?" he inquired, politely.

"On the ground that I am aged and decrepit," the woman asked.

"No, indeed, madam."

"That I am young and beautiful and possibly not averse to a flirtation?"

"Certainly not. That is—"

"Then it must be because you are a gentleman. In this respect differing from the fat person on the left and the scrawny specimen at the right. I am glad to learn your principles, but, here is my street. Good day."

Hits From Sharp Wits

THERE are few old-fashioned "mistakes" left. Nearly every man is a "guy" to the modern youth.

Capital punishment may be a little too severe for a murderer, but not for the fellow who walks on your feet in the street car.

A woman who knows herself does not have time to know so much about her neighbors.

Appetite selects means to satisfy itself; hunger takes anything within reach.

THE ocean nowadays seems to be a body of water entirely surrounded by trouble.

Chicago has a school of robbers, we are told. Reports don't specify whether it is a school for dentists, plumbers or lawyers.

One sign that the world grows better is that the mother-in-law joke has gone out of fashion.

Forgot His Wife?

HE was particularly polite to women and usually made a good impression on them. A young woman who was visiting at the family hotel in which he resided grew enthusiastic about his manners.

"Oh, he's such a perfect gentleman!" she exclaimed. "He always remembers the little things which mean so much."

"Yes," agreed her hostess. "For instance, he and his wife were coming down from the roof in the elevator last evening. I boarded the elevator at the fourth floor and the instant I entered he removed his hat and held it in his hand all the rest of the way down."

Life.

A Large Order.

SHE had been sitting in the furniture shop for nearly two hours in specifying their stock of linoleums.

Roll after roll the perspiring assistant brought out, but still she seemed dissatisfied. From her dress he judged her to be a person of wealth, and thought it likely she would have a good order to give.

When at last he had shown her the last roll he paused in despair.

"I'm sorry, madam," he said apologetically. "But if you could wait I could get some more pieces from the factory. Perhaps you would call in again?"

The prospective customer gathered her belongings together and rose from the chair.

"Yes, do," she said, with a gracious smile. "and ask them to send you one or two with very small designs, suitable for putting in the bottom of a canny's cage."

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He Took No Chances.

ONE of Australia's landscape painters was out with his bag of tricks near Daylesford recently. He had pitched in front of an old two-roomed wattle-and-dab hut, softened with a cushion flowered creeper, which he thought would make an excellent sketch. While he was working a tall, hairy man came out of the hut and regarded him with some misgiving.

"The hut dweller approached. 'Watch your doin', mister!' he asked. 'I'm painting your pictureque dwelling,' said Patterson.

The hut dweller regarded Patterson dubiously for a minute, then went indoors. Presently he appeared with his wife, and the two advanced toward the artist. 'Mind yeh,' said the man, pointing to the painter. 'I've got me witness—you're doing this at your own expense.'

Where He Saves.

FLATBUSH: He says he saves money on his wife sometimes.

Bensonhurst: I can't understand how he says when he insists on her doing something she doesn't want to do she starts a hunger strike."

One Enough.

BILL: How many jewels have you got in your watch?

Jill: One.

"Sure, only one. How many girls' pictures have you got in your watch?"

In Spirit.

AN Irishman saw, while passing through a graveyard, these words written on a tombstone, "I still live."

"Pat looked a moment, and then said: 'Be jabers, I for I was dead I'd own up to it!'"

Willing.

YOU said you'd go through fire and water for me.

"Show me a combination of the two and I will."



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The Sandman Story
For To-night

BY MRS. P. A. WALKER.

THE Prince and the Water Nymph.

ONCE upon a time there was a Prince named Alfred and he lived in a castle all alone by a river.

Many maidens had smiled sweet smiles at the rich Prince, but no one had reached his heart.

One day he was walking by the river when he beheld a beautiful maiden with long golden hair sitting by the river bank.

"The maiden turned her big blue eyes upon the Prince and smiled, and it seemed to Prince Alfred that all the beautiful smiles in the world were melted into the one smile.

"Oh, no! I will not drown!" answered the maiden in a sweet low voice. "The water is my home and at the bottom of this river live my sister nymphs, so you see, I am not afraid."

"But wait, I beg of you," said the Prince. "I want to talk to you, and I wish to know your name, and when you will come to the river bank again."

The water nymph laughed, and it sounded like the ripple of the water, so soft and sweet it was.

"You ask so many questions that I do not know how to answer; your mortals are always in a hurry," said the Nymph. "But tell me your name first of all."

"I am a water nymph, if that is what you mean by a name," said the Nymph.

"Then, my beautiful Nymph, you must never go back to your river home, for I love you, and would make you my wife," said the Prince.

"If you would marry me," said the Nymph, "meet me here on the bank of this river at midnight, and I will bring all my sisters and Father Neptune, and he shall give us his blessings."

When the midnight hour was striking, the Prince had already been at the river bank an hour, and on the last stroke of 12 there arose from the river a heavy mist, and then from out this mist there arose the form of Father Neptune.

In his hand he carried his trident; this he waved over the water and called, "Come forth, come forth, Nymphs of the river."

And then to the astonished gaze of the Prince there appeared more nymphs than he could count, and all exactly alike in size and looks.

The bewildered Prince looked for his betrothed, but all the nymphs smiled sweetly at him, and he could not tell one from the other.

"Don't keep me waiting," said Father Neptune; "I have other work to do besides attending to the affairs of love."

Lucky to Get the Dime.

BISHOP WILBERFORCE of Omaha said recently in a T. M. C. A. address in Washington, D. C.:

"Too many of the stories about the boyhood of our multimillionaires are just stories of selfishness and meanness, taking advantage of others' generosity for the sandwich man."

"A hungry traveler put his head out of a car window as his train pulled up at a small station and said to a boy: 'Here, boy, take this dime and get me a sandwich, will you? And, by the way, here's another dime. Get a sandwich for yourself, too.'"

"Thanks, boss—and the boy dashed away."

"We returned, munching a big, big sandwich, just as the train was starting off. He ran to the traveler, handed him a dime, and said:

"Here's your dime back, boss. They only had one sandwich left."

From the Chestnut Tree.

SOMEbody stole my set of Dickens."

"Did you notify the police?"

"Oh, yes. The detectives are working on a book case."

Running Them Down.

REDD: This paper says that Senator Greene: Do they want us to believe that the automobile people run right out in the fields after the politicians?



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